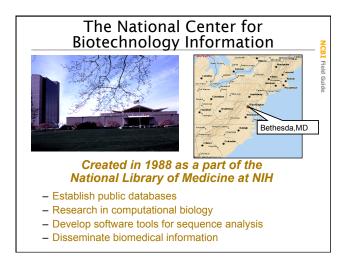
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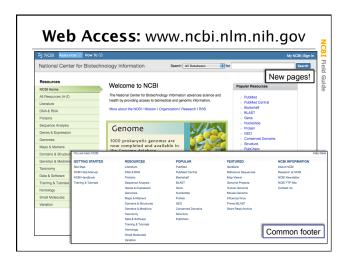
Part 1: NCBI Databases and Entrez

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NCBI Databases and Entrez

- About NCBI
- · Molecular Databases
- · The Entrez system and Discovery
- Using Entrez relationships
- Example search: Finding sequences, genomic information and structures for human MLH1 gene and products





NCBI Databases and Services

- GenBank primary sequence database
- · Free public access to biomedical literature
 - PubMed free Medline (3 million searches per day)
 - PubMed Central full text online access
- Entrez integrated molecular and literature databases
- BLAST highest volume sequence search service (100 200 K searches per day)
- VAST structure similarity searches
- · Software and databases for download

Types of Molecular Databases

- Primary Databases
 - Original submissions by experimentalists
 - Content controlled by the submitter
 - Examples: GenBank, Trace, SRA, SNP, GEO
- Derivative Databases
 - Built from primary data
 - Content controlled by third party (NCBI)
 - Examples: NCBI Protein, Refseq, TPA, RefSNP, GEO datasets, UniGene, Homologene, Structure, Conserved Domain

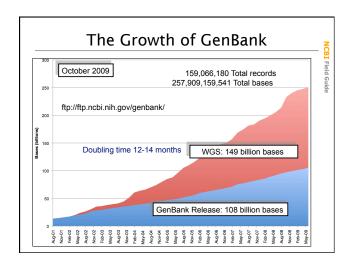
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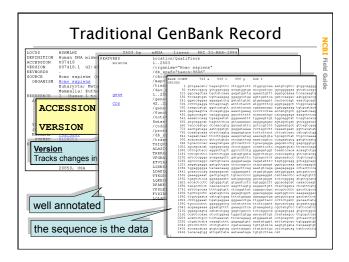
Sequence Databases at NCBI

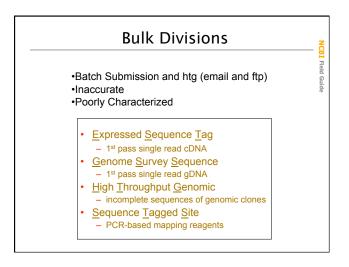
- Primary
 - GenBank: NCBI's primary sequence database
 - Trace Archive: reads from capillary sequencers
 - Sequence Read Archive: next generation data
- Derivative
 - GenPept (GenBank translations)
 - Outside Protein (UniProt—Swiss-Prot, PDB)
 - NCBI Reference Sequences (RefSeq)

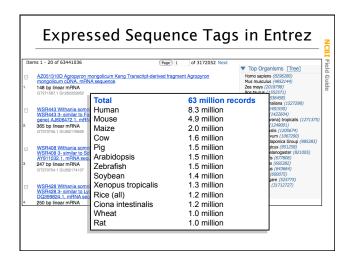
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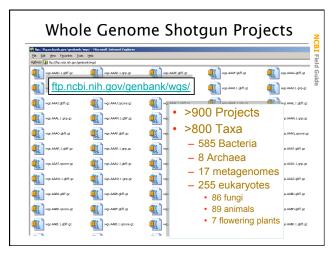
What is GenBank? NCBI's Primary Sequence Database Nucleotide only sequence database Archival in nature Historical Reflective of submitter point of view (subjective) Redundant GenBank Data Direct submissions (traditional records) Batch submissions (EST, GSS, STS) ftp accounts (genome data) Three collaborating databases GenBank DNA Database of Japan (DDBJ) European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL) Database

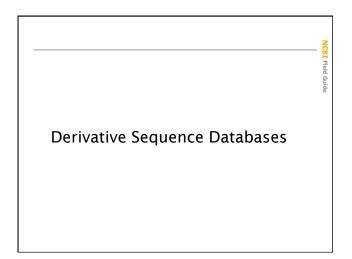


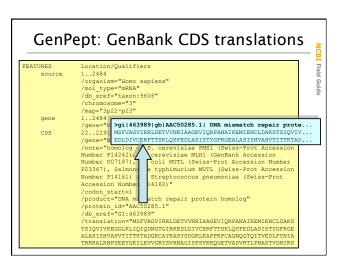


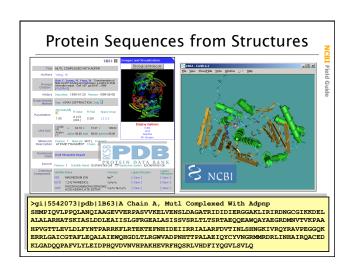


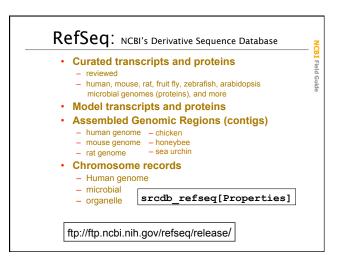


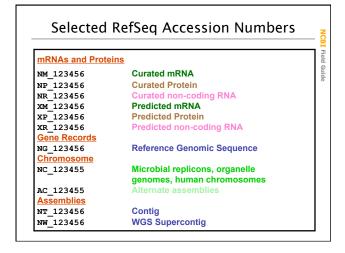


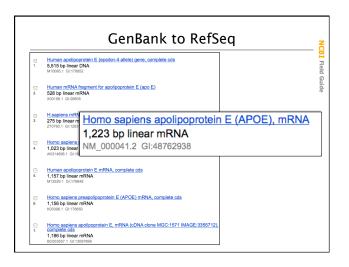


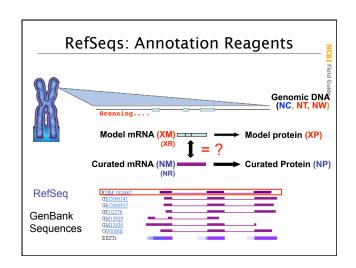




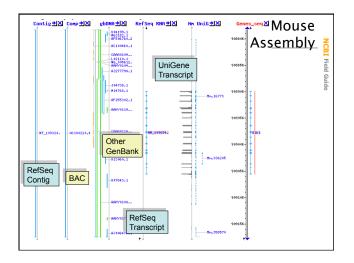


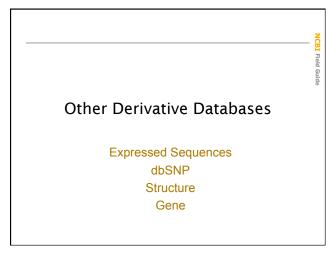


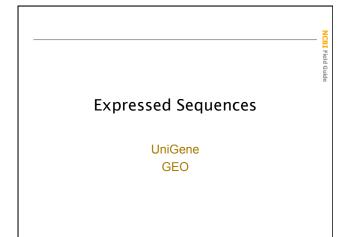


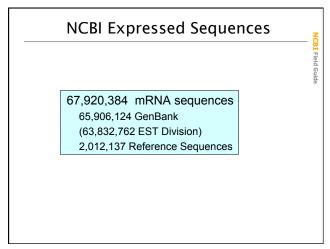


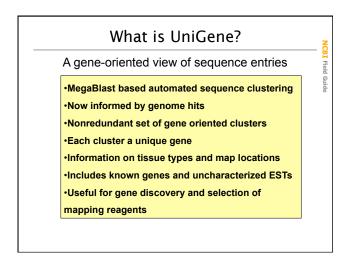
RefSeq Benefits Non-redundancy Explicitly linked nucleotide and protein sequences Updates to reflect current sequence data and biology Data validation Format consistency Distinct accession series Stewardship by NCBI staff and collaborators

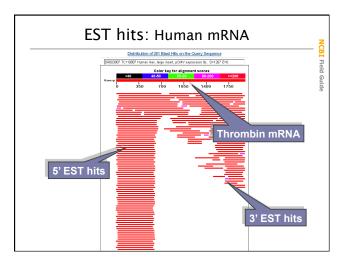


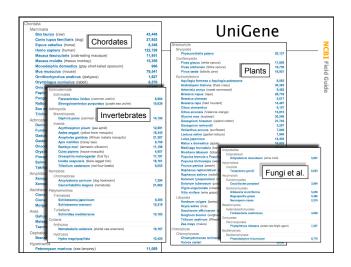


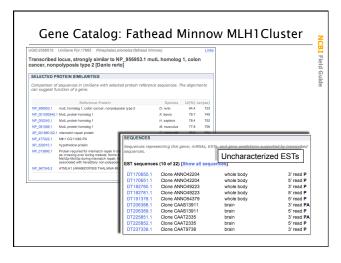


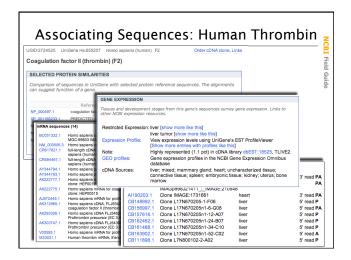


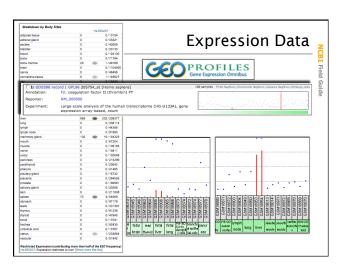




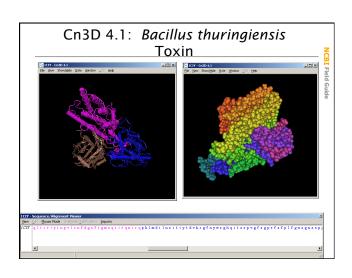


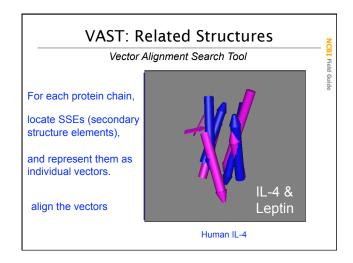




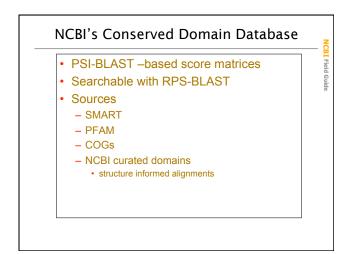


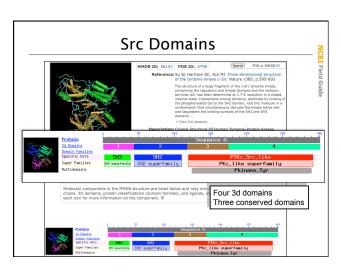
• Derived from experimentally determined PDB records • Value added to PDB records including: - Addition of explicit chemical graph information - Validation (secondary structure elements) - Inclusion of Taxonomy, Citation - Conversion to ASN.1 data description language • Structure neighbors determined by Vector Alignment Search Tool (VAST)

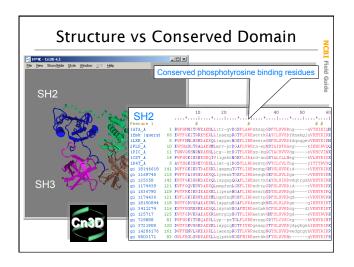


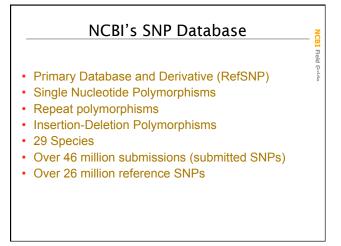


Protein Domains Structural Domain Discrete independently folding unit of a protein Conserved Domain (sequence-based) Protein region with recognizable position-specific pattern of sequence conservation Sequence-based domains often roughly correspond to structural domains Domains often have distinct, identifiable functions

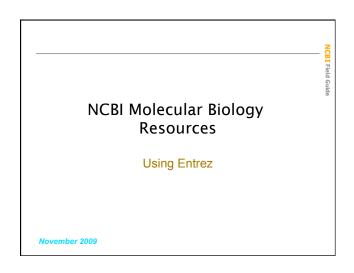


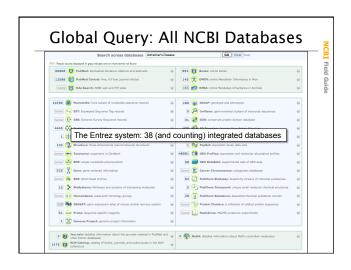


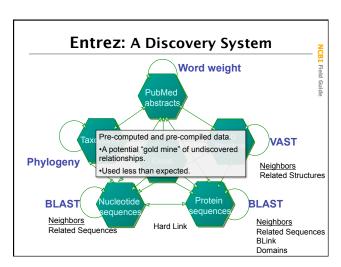


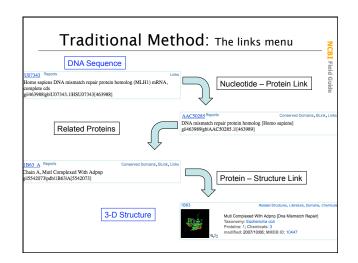


The Gene Database • Gene Centered Information • Unifies NCBI-annotated and Submitted Genomes • 4.6 million records for 5,588 taxa









The Problem Rapidly growing databases with complex and changing relationships Rapidly changing interfaces to match the above Result Many people don't know: Where to begin Where to click on a Web page Why it might be useful to click there

• Easier to use interfaces • Promote higher quality resources - Gene - RefSeqs • Expose the power and utiltiy of pre-computed similarities and pre-compiled links

Discovery Components in Entrez Database Ads – direct to related information in other database Sensors – point to other databases or special search tools where the query is more relevant Analysis tools – access to live analysis results

